committees who receive compensation for their services as such, including necessary time spent in traveling to and from his place of residence within the State to the place of meeting while engaged in the discharge of the duties of his office and his actual traveling expenses, the same to be paid from the aforesaid fund."

SECTION 29.20A.(b) Effective September 1, 2005, and continuing until the appointment of the next Chairman of the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina, G.S. 96-3(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Salaries. – The chairman of the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina, appointed by the Governor, shall be paid from the Employment Security Administration Fund a salary payable on a monthly basis, which salary shall be fixed by the General Assembly in the Current Operations Appropriations Act; and the members of the Commission, other than the chairman, shall each receive the same amount per diem for their services as is provided for the members of other State boards, commissions, and committees who receive compensation for their services as such, including necessary time spent in traveling to and from his place of residence within the State to the place of meeting while engaged in the discharge of the duties of his office and his actual traveling expenses, the same to be paid from the aforesaid fund. Notwithstanding G.S. 138-4, the chairman of the Employment Security Commission shall not accrue longevity pay."

COASTAL MANAGEMENT DIVISION SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 29.21. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources is authorized to, and shall, provide to the employees of the Division of Coastal Management an increase in annual salary of ten percent (10%). This increase shall be in addition to any other increase authorized by this act.

SALARY INCREASES FOR AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM EMPLOYEES

SECTION 29.22. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000) for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year shall be allocated and used as follows:

- (1) \$3,700,000 in each year to support salary increases for Agricultural Program employees of North Carolina State University who are exempt from the State Personnel Act.
- \$300,000 in each year to support salary increases for Agricultural Program employees of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University who are exempt from the State Personnel Act.

These funds shall be allocated to individuals according to rules adopted by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and may not be used for any other purpose other than for salary increases and the necessary employer contributions provided by this section.

RESOURCE PROSECUTOR LONGEVITY

SECTION 29.23A. G.S. 7A-65(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) In lieu of merit and other increment raises paid to regular State employees, an assistant district attorney shall receive as longevity pay an amount equal to four and eight-tenths percent (4.8%) of the annual salary set forth in the Current Operations Appropriations Act payable monthly after five years of service, nine and six-tenths percent (9.6%) after 10 years of service, fourteen and four-tenths percent (14.4%) after